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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A multi-configuration portable electronic device, comprising:
a first body element having electrical circuitry disposed therein;
a second body element having electrical circuitry disposed therein;
a hinge for allowing configuration by movement of the first and second body elements relative to each other into at least portrait, landscape, and closed positions, the hinge comprised of a pair of identical asymmetric hinge body halves that interlock and for routing a flexible circuit board between the first and second body elements through an elbow portion of the hinge body halves wherein upon movement of the first and second body elements the hinge prevents twisting of the flexible circuit board.

2. (original) A multi-configuration portable electronic device as defined by claim 1, further comprising a detent mechanism in the hinge for holding the first and second body elements in at least portrait, landscape, and closed positions.

3. (original) A multi-configuration portable electronic device as defined by claim 2 wherein the detent mechanism comprises a spring, a cam, and a cap having cam followers, all coaxially located, and wherein the cam is held in position with respect to one of the body elements of the multi-configuration portable electronic device, and the cap is held in position with respect to the hinge.

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4. (original) A multi-configuration portable electronic device as defined by claim 1 further comprising a hook member disposed each of the first and second body elements and each in correspondence with a collar portion of the other body element, wherein the hook member retains the collar portion upon rotation of one of the body elements about the hinge.